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Governor Eric Greitens Capitol Bldg. Room 216 Jefferson City MO 65101

Dear Governor Greitens,

"Thank you" for your call for a special session to pass pro-life legislation to save babies, protect women and protect our religious communities! Your support and drive to get this done is the reason that HCS SB 5 made it across the finish line! You made the difference!

HCS SB 5 is one of the strongest pieces of pro-life legislation to pass the Missouri legislature in years. This life-saving legislation will make a difference! Pro-life Missourians across the state "thank you" for all your work on this! We have been honored to work with you and your staff throughout this process to get HCS SB 5 passed!

The need for increased oversight of abortion facilities became apparent in 2015 with the information discovered in the Missouri House, Senate and the U.S. Congressional investigations of Planned Parenthood. These investigations showed the abhorrent practices and blatant violation of Missouri laws by Planned Parenthood.

The annual on-site unannounced inspections and the closely scrutinized oversight by the Department of Health required in HCS SB 5 will reveal any continued discrepancies in the practices at Planned Parenthood as well as ensure that Missouri laws are being followed. These new laws will ensure that emergencies in abortion facilities are not being hidden or subverted and will aid in correcting the abhorrent conditions that have been ongoing in these abortion facilities. These laws will also ensure that baby body parts from abortion are not being bought or sold in Missouri and they will give whistleblower protection to anyone reporting violations of Missouri law from within abortion or research facilities.

We look forward to working with you in the 2018 legislative session to pass further life-saving legislation to save babies, protect women and seek protections on all issues dealing with innocent human lives.

Sincerely,

Steve Rupp, President

Susan Klein, Legislative Liaison

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Members of the Missouri Senate

FROM:

Steve Rupp, President

Gerard Nieters, Legislative Director Susan Klein, Legislative Liaison

DATE:

June 12, 2017

RE:

Pro-Life Legislation for Special Session

Missouri Right to Life strongly supports the passage of pro-life legislation during this second extraordinary special session. We thank Governor Greitens for calling this special session. This session is a response to the gross injustice of the Board of Aldermen's vote on BB 203 in the City of St. Louis and the decision by Judge Sachs to overturn two pro-life laws that have been in effect since 2005.

These two pro-abortion actions clearly put women at risk, will increase abortions, and will put our Pregnancy Resource Centers and our faith-based communities at risk of being forced to participate in abortion, violating their tenets of faith.

Since the passage of BB 203, St. Louis City is pre-empted from enacting, adopting, or enforcing any ordinance or any other form of regulation that would interfere with, or otherwise adversely affect religious liberty. So, swift action is needed on this issue!

Judge Sachs' decision overturns common sense medical practice, such as requiring a physician have hospital privileges in the local communities where they are doing abortions, as well as the requirement that these abortion clinics have the same regulations as an ambulatory surgical center. The Sachs' decision puts women's healthcare at high risk of abuse by unknown abortionists who harm women. Many ethical physicians and medical personnel have had to treat these women when there is no abortionist around to contact for medical questions. So, swift action is needed for abortion clinics to have annual on-site inspections also.

The need for required inspections became even more apparent when Director Randall Williams put out a press release where he stated that he would be enforcing laws on how medical emergencies are handled at Planned Parenthood as he would with any other medical facility. Planned Parenthood responded that they did not even know about this law even though they had filed suit on this law. If Planned Parenthood doesn't know the law, then what are they following?

With all these new developments and the information found during the Sanctity of Life Committee investigations during 2015, we believe there is ample evidence and justification for passage of an emergency clause on this pro-life legislation as well during this special session.

We encourage the Senate to give final approval of language in this special session legislation to address all these issues and include an emergency clause for immediate protection for women, unborn babies and communities of faith!

This is one of the most important pro-life votes in Missouri history!

People around the United States are watching to see how our Missouri legislature shows their will to fight for the unborn!



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March 15, 2017

Honorable Governor Eric Greitens Missouri State Capitol, Room 216 Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Governor Greitens,

Thank you for your leadership of our great State of Missouri! And, a very sincere "thank you" for your message of greeting to pro-life people from across the State of Missouri at our Missouri Right to Life Pro-Life Action Day on Tuesday, March 14, 2017! People listened with great anticipation and were inspired and encouraged to hear from you, their Governor. They were honored that you took time from your busy schedule to come talk to them. It was an inspiring and encouraging day for pro-life people from across the state as they listened to you and our other pro-life statewide leaders talk about their support for passing pro-life legislation, protecting babies and protecting our religious liberties against sanctuary cities for abortion.

Unity of the multitudes standing together to protect our religious liberties and those who cannot speak for themselves is what pro-life people do across Missouri. They come from all faiths and walks of life to stand together in support of our pro-life leaders. Our witness and stand for God's truth was clearly evident in every speaker's message, every prayer and every song.

Thank you for your willingness to be a part of this very important rally and for all you do to promote the sanctity of human life and religious liberty in your daily life as the Governor of Missouri. We appreciate very much your and Sheena's desire to work to protect these innocent little human lives. We look forward to working together in this effort!

Thank you!

God Bless,

Steve Rupp

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November 29, 2016

Governor-Elect Greitens Truman Building, 8th Floor 301 W High St Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Governor-Elect Greitens,

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s new governor. The Missouri Catho

Congratulations on your election as Missouri's new governor. The Missouri Catholic Conference (MCC) looks forward to working with you on the many concerns that affect the common good of our citizens. Established in 1967, the MCC is the public policy agency for the Catholic bishops of Missouri.

Many Missourians are aware of the MCC's advocacy on behalf of the unborn, but the MCC also seeks an end to the death penalty, opposes assisted suicide, and seeks policies that will provide assistance to the poor and those with mental and physical disabilities. The MCC seeks to create a culture of life and compassion that will uphold the sanctity and dignity of all Missourians, even those who are not citizens or who have little political influence in the halls of the Missouri State Capitol.

As you know, the Catholic Church operates schools, charities and hospitals throughout Missouri. These institutions serve not just Catholics but Missourians of all faiths, races, ethnicities and walks of life. The MCC brings this practical experience to bear in evaluating legislation under consideration in Jefferson City.

The MCC is a strong advocate for school families and believes parents have a right to choose the schooling they believe is best suited for their children. Fair participation of private school children in federal and state programs, such as special education and school lunch, is a priority. The MCC supports legislation that will help lower-income parents with tuition and other expenses. Finally, the MCC firmly believes that school bus transportation should be available to all school children regardless of where they attend school. This is a matter of basic fairness.

The MCC understands that good but vague intentions are not enough. I think you will find the MCC staff prepared to "get into the details" in order to craft legislation and policies that will benefit Missourians while not wasting taxpayer dollars. The MCC also recognizes the need for negotiation and compromise on the many complicated issues now facing the state of Missouri.

You are in my prayers as you begin your service as Missouri's governor. Don't hesitate to call on me or on any of the MCC staff for assistance in public policy challenges you encounter in the coming four years. God Bless and good luck!

Mike Hoey

Executive Director